THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (MISS KUMUDBEN M. JOSHI): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Grievances of All India Railways Ministerial Staff Association, S. E. Zone

1600. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has received the copies of the resolutions adopted at the 6th Annual General Meeting of the All India Railways Ministerial Staff Association, South Eastern Zone, held at Nagpur on the 10th and 11th June, 1984;

(b) if so, what are the salient features thereof; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to redress the grievances listed in the resolutions?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c) The resolutions relate to both general as well as local demands like withdrawal of ban on recruitment, inclusion of Ministerial Staff under Workmen Compensation Act, non-installation of Computers, lower electricity charges, Hospital facilities use of railway institutes, filling up of higher grade posts etc. etc.

Local demands are examined by the local railway administration in consultation with recognised unions and action taken, where found necessary, within the administrative and financial constraints.

General demands are considered within the frame work of Government policy and the two recognised Labour Federations, viz., All India Railwaymen's Federation and National Federation of Indian Railwaymen, who represent all categories of railway employees are consulted wherever necessary under the Permanent Negotiating Machinery and Joint Consultative Machinery Schemes.

Withdrawal of facilities to workers o South Eastern Railways Head Office

1601. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Wil the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has received a memorandum dated the 2nd July, 1984 from the All India Railways Ministerial Staff Association, South Eastern Zone, Garden Reach, Calcutta 43;

(b) what are the demands listed in the memorandum;

(c) whether it is a fact that some of the facilities available to the workers of the Head Office of South Eastern Railway, Garden Reach and the factories located at the Hide Road area, Calcutta have been withdrawn; and

(d) whether Government propose to restore these facilities?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The demands are:

(i) Free launch Service from Howrah to Garden Reach Head Office of S. E. Railway.

(ii) One pair of shuttle train service (Old Brace Bridge station to Garden Reach).

(iii) Issue of free residential card passes to the Railwaymen attending office daily as subsurban passengers.

(c) and (d) The first two demands are local in nature. Such local demands are examined by the local railway administration in consultation with recognised unions and action taken, where found necessary, within the administrative and financial constraints.

The launch service earlier was run by Hooghly Nadi Jalpath Parivahan Committee. The service had to be discontinued due to financial trouble faced by the Committee. Now adequate public road transport is available for the employees. Further, with the